

**CITY OF MAPLE LAKE
WRIGHT COUNTY, MINNESOTA
MINUTES OF MAPLE LAKE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 17, 2026 – 6:00 P.M.**

1. **Call to Order** - The regular meeting of the Maple Lake City Council was called to order by Mayor Lynn Kissock at 6:00 p.m.

Council Present: Mayor Lynn Kissock, Councilors: Kris Logas, Scott Chantland, and Lori Hausken were present.

City Staff and Consultants Present: Andrew Johnson, Public Works Director; Cathy Reynolds, Interim City Administrator; Chuck Boser, City Engineer, Sam Ketchum, City Attorney

2. **Approval of Agenda** – Staff requested to remove item 9.a.3 on the city administrator contract from the agenda. Councilor Hausken asked to remove item 5.a. from the consent agenda and place it as item 10.e in new business. **Councilor Chantland made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Councilor Hausken seconded the motion. Motion passed. (4-0)**
3. **Open Forum** – During Open Forum the following individuals spoke. Zach Johnson talked about the VFW. Deb Geyen talked about employee benefits.
4. **Law Enforcement Report** – Deputy Long provided an update on December and January numbers.

5. **Public Hearing**

- a. **2026 Street Improvement Project – Public Improvement Hearing** – Mayor Kissock opened the public hearing at 6:10 p.m. City Engineer Boser presented an overview of the project. The following residents provided comments on the project and proposed assessments. Al Muller, John Rivers, Laura Warner, Amy Topel, David Rivers, Deb Geyen, Brandi Brandstrom, Kelly Demarais, Denny Demarais, Paul Harcey, and Kelly Griffin. At the conclusion of the comments, **Councilor Hausken made a motion to close the public hearing. Councilor Chantland seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0)** The public hearing closed at 7:20 p.m.
- b. **Council Vacancy Candidate Introductions** – Council candidates Natt Bougie and Shelly McAlpine provided introductions to the council and community.

6. **Consent Agenda** –

- ~~a. Approval of Check Register Report~~
- b. Approval of January 20, 2026 City Council Meeting Minutes
- c. Approval of January 20, 2026 Personnel Committee Meeting Minutes
- d. Approval of February 10, 2026 Special City Council Meeting Minutes
- e. Approval of Donations
 - i. Resolution 2026-06 Accepting Donation from Maple Lake American Legion Post 131 for Makers & Growers
 - ii. Resolution 2026-07 Accepting Donation from Maple Lake Lions for Gear Head Get Together

- f. Approval of Financial Assistance Policy and Applications - MLEDA
- g. Approval of Resolution 2026-08 Calling for Public Hearing on Proposed Property Tax Abatement
- h. Approval of Resolution 2026-09 Reapportioning Special Assessments for Parcels within the Plat of JR Estates 2nd Addition
- i. Approve Resolution 2026-11 Declaring Certain Equipment as Surplus and Authorizing the Sale
- j. Approval of Gambling Permits

Councilor Chantland made a motion to approve the consent agenda as amended. Councilor Hausken seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0)

7. Department Reports

a. Administration

- i. **Monthly Report.** The Interim City Administrator provided an update to the council.
- ii. **Consider Amendments to License Agreement with Maple Lake Chamber for Community Festivals –** Interim Administrator Reynolds reviewed the updated License Agreement. **Councilor Chantland made a motion to approve the License Agreement with the Chamber for Community Festivals. Councilor Logas seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0)**
- iii. **Consider Council Vacancy –** Council discussed following the original plan to fill the vacancy with discussions on the candidates at the March 3, 2026 council work session.

b. City Attorney –

- i. **Monthly Report.** City Attorney Ketchum provided an update to council on the legislative session.

c. City Engineer

- i. **Monthly Report –** City Engineer Boser provided an update on projects within the city to council.
- ii. **Consider Approval of Resolution 2026-10 Approving Plans and Specifications and Ordering Advertising for Bids for the 2026 Street Improvement Project.** City Engineer Boser discussed the 2026 Street Improvement Program and conversation was had regarding comments heard at the public hearing. **Councilor Hausken made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-10 approving plans and specifications and ordering the advertisement for bids for the 2026 street improvement project. Councilor Logas seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0)**

d. Public Works –

- i. **Monthly Report –** Public Works Director Johnson provided an update to the council.

e. Liquor Store – Mayor Kissock read the liquor store update for council.

8. New Business

- a. **Consider Approval of Temporary Building Official Services-** Interim Administrator Reynolds discussed options for temporary building official services. The options included contracting with Wright County or working with St Michael. The St Michael option included appointing St Michael Building Official, Rob Lindberg as the city's temporary building official, and hiring David Sandstad as a temporary part time employee to serve as the city's building inspector. **Mayor Kissock made a motion to approve the hire of Doug Sandstad as a building inspector on a part-time temporary basis matching his St Michael pay rate. Councilor Logas seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0)**

Mayor Kissock made a motion to approve appointing Rob Lindberg as the city's building official. Councilor Chantland seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0)

- b. **Consider Appointment of Building Official Proposal Review Committee –** Interim Administrator Reynolds discussed the Request for Proposal for Building Official Services and asked the council if they wished to appoint a representative to be part of the review and interview process. Councilor Chantland was designated to be part of the review and interview process.
- c. **Consider Approval of Ordinance 2026-01 Approving 2026 Fee Schedule –** Interim Administrator Reynolds discussed the proposed 2026 Fee Schedule noting that council could approve the fee schedule, minus the planning and zoning changes at this meeting. A public hearing would need to be held to approve the planning and zoning fee changes. **Councilor Hausken made a motion to approve Ordinance 2026-01 adopting the 2026 fee schedule with the exception of the changes to the planning and zoning fees. Councilor Logas seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0).** Council directed staff to schedule a public hearing to consider the planning and zoning fee changes.
- d. **Consider Approval of Massage Licenses –** Interim Administrator Reynolds presented information on the Therapeutic Massage Enterprise Licenses for Serenity Asian Massage and Lan Sky Spa LLC. **Mayor Kissock made a motion to table Serenity Asian Massage license application to a March 3, 2026 special meeting. Councilor Hausken seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0).**

Mayor Kissock made a motion to table the license application for Lan Sky Spa to the March 3, 2026 special city council meeting. Councilor Hausken seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0)

- e. **Consider Approval of Check Register Report –** Councilor Hausken inquired into the \$10,000 paid to the Maple Lake School District. Following discussion **Councilor Hausken made a motion to approve the check register. Councilor Logas seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0)**

9. **Closed Session – Mayor Kissock made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 13D.05, subdivision 3(c)(3) to develop or consider offers or counteroffers for the purchase of real property, PID 210000071104. Councilor**

Hausken seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0) The city council went into closed session at 8:55 p.m.

Mayor Kissock made a motion to close the closed session and return to open session. Councilor Chantland seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0) The city council returned to open session at 9:20 p.m.

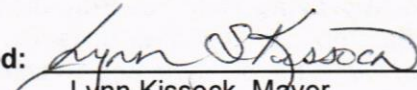
10. Announcements

March 2026 dates to remember:


- March 3, 2026 at 6:00 p.m., MLEDA and City Council Work Session
- March 4, 2026 at 5:00 p.m., Airport Commission Meeting
- March 9, 2026 at 5:00 p.m., Park Board Meeting
- March 10, 2026 at 6:00 p.m., Planning Commission Meeting
- March 17, 2026 at 6:00 p.m., City Council Meeting

11. Adjournment – Councilor Logas made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Chantland seconded the motion and the motion passed. (4-0). The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

Approved:


Lynn Kissock, Mayor

Attest:


Cathy Reynolds, Interim City Administrator